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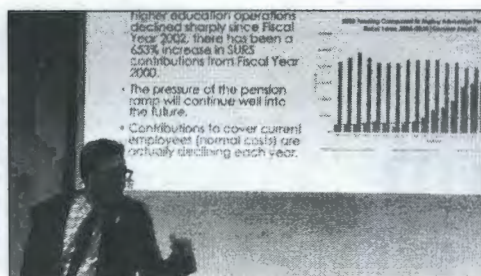
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## FACULTY SENATE

Eastern's Faculty Senate heard the IBHE fiscal year 2021 report at its meeting on Tuesday.

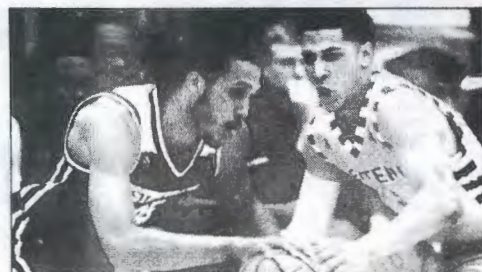
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## EXHIBITION GAME 1

The Eastern men's basketball team will play in its first exhibition game of the season on Wednesday. Our basketball reporter Dillan Schorfheide gives his keys to the game.

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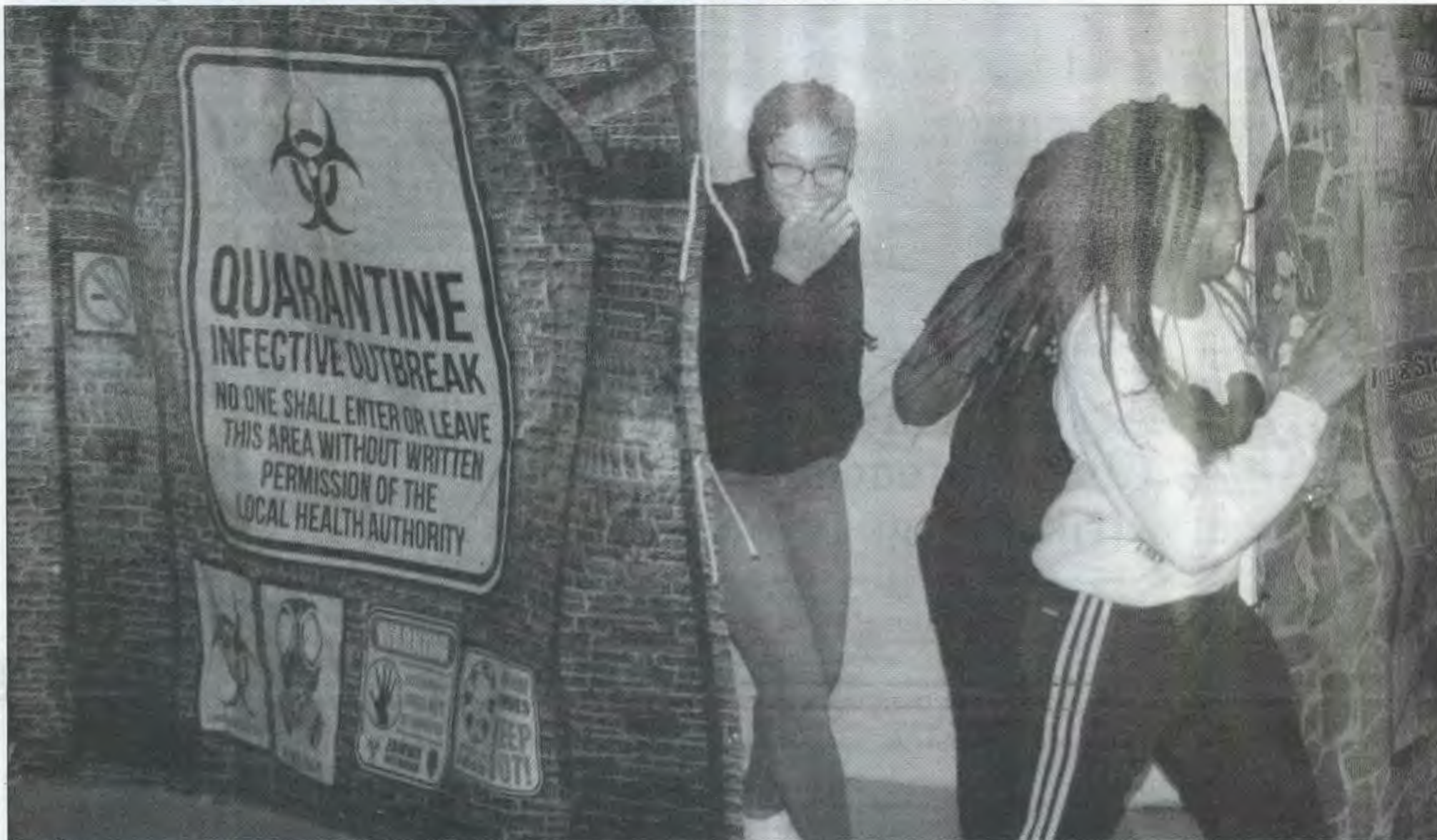
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Students run out of the haunted house laughing and screaming at "Eastern Estates A Spooktacular Haunted House" at Martin Luther King Jr. Student Union on Tuesday night.

## Student-led haunted house scares students

By Corryn Brock  
News Editor | @corryn\_brock

University Board hosted "Eastern Estates A Spooktacular Haunted House" Tuesday night in the University Ballroom.

Cara Soucie, a senior health promotion major and University Board Events Coordinator, said she received a flier for a company out of New York and decided to use the company's services for the haunted house.

Soucie said she enjoyed watching Eastern President David Glassman go through the house and scaring Lynette Drake, interim vice president for student affairs.

Soucie said she was pleased with how the

event went.

"Getting all the little pieces together like hiring the scarers, I hired (the RSO) Hello Dali to be the scarers, and I hired a makeup artist so that was a lot of fun to like see everything come together," Soucie said. "It was fun buying the makeup for the scarers and the costumes ... they looked all good."

The supplies for the physical haunted house were provided by the company from New York.

Soucie said she was happy to see the event be a success because of a lack of Halloween attractions in the area.

"This is what I strive to do because this is what my whole position, finding new stuff

that's not on campus to bring to campus, Soucie said. "The closest haunted house I think is in Effingham so if you don't have a car you're kind of like S.O.L. so I think it's great to have a haunted house that you can like come to."

Tori Casco, a senior health administration major, said she thought the haunted house was funny because of her friend, junior emergency management major Jason Santos' reaction to getting scared.

"It was hilarious," Casco said.

Camryn Miguest, a junior English language arts major, said she enjoyed the event but found a way to not be scared by it.

"It was fun, I liked it. I don't really get

scared at scary things, I just laugh at them," Miguest said. "I was always taught to laugh scary things off so it was pretty fun."

Miguest said she felt like students could benefit from attending University Board events.

"It gets more people involved," Miguest said. "It's a good event for people to come out...it gets people to come do something and not just sit in their room the whole day."

Dominique Easterling, a junior human services program major said she enjoyed the haunted house more than other events from the University Board.

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## 'Pumpkinpalooza' put on by Student Senate Tuesday

By Corryn Brock  
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The Student Senate hosted Pumpkinpalooza with the Prez' Tuesday night, which included pumpkin painting, candy apples and apple cider.

Student Body President Carson Gordon said the Senate was continuing with a tradition of hosting a fall event with the university president.

"We have some version of Pumpkins with the Prez' pretty much every year and we decided to continue it on and make it bigger and better," Gordon said.

Gordon said she thinks students benefit from

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Carson Gordon, Student Body President

having events where they can interact with Eastern President David Glassman.

"This is an experience that you wouldn't get at any other university it's so unique to Eastern and the idea of us being 'all-in,'" Gordon said. "It's a great way for students to get to know Glassman beyond just seeing him at an event

or staying on campus they get to sit down and have personal discussions with him just really get to know him on a deeper level just makes me sound like a more welcoming place."

Glassman said he enjoys doing campus events with students.

"(I like) interacting with them in a fun en-

vironment where we aren't really talking much about classes or midterms or finals and you're just destressing and I like having the opportunity to engage with the students and have a good time," Glassman said.

Glassman said the best part of the evening for him was learning why the pumpkins were painted the way they were.

"My favorite part of the night was having students talk about what was involved in creating their pumpkins and what they were thinking when they made the image," Glassman said. "I always find that fun."

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## State and Nation

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## NCAA board approves athlete compensation for image, likeness

The NCAA took a major step Tuesday toward allowing college athletes to cash in on their fame, voting to permit them to "benefit from the use of their name, image and likeness."

The nation's largest governing body for college sports and its member schools now must figure out how to allow athletes to profit — something they have fought against doing for years — while still maintaining rules regarding amateurism. The NCAA Board of Governors, meeting at Emory University in Atlanta, directed each of the NCAA's three divisions to create the necessary new rules immediately and have them in place no later than January 2021.

Board chair Michael Drake, the president of Ohio State University, said the NCAA must embrace change and modernize "to provide the best possible experience for college athletes."

But such changes will come with limitations, he said.

"The board is emphasizing that change must be consistent with the values of college sports and higher education and not turn student-athletes into employees of institutions," Drake told The Associated Press.

A group of NCAA administrators has been exploring since May the ways in which athletes could be allowed to receive compensation for the use of their names, images and likenesses. The working group, led by Ohio State athletic director Gene Smith and Big East Commissioner Val Ackerman, presented a status report Tuesday to the university presidents who make up the Board of Governors.

Smith and Ackerman's group laid out principles and guidelines, endorsed by the board, to be followed as NCAA members go about crafting new rules

and tweaking existing ones, including:

Some college sports leaders fear allowing athletes to earn outside income could open the door to corruption.

"One of the most distinctive things about college sports is this whole recruitment process," NCAA President Mark Emmert told the AP. "The whole notion of trying to maintain as fair a playing field as you can is really central to all this. And using sponsorship arrangements, in one way or another, as recruiting inducements is something everybody is deeply concerned about."

Ackerman and Smith said the challenges lie in determining what regulations need to be set in place; what markets athletes should be allowed to access; what entities and individuals they should be permitted to work with; and whether the schools themselves could provide funds to athletes through licensing deals.

## Accusations rise as Chicago teachers strike drags into day 9

CHICAGO (AP) — Chicago's mayor on Tuesday accused leaders of the city's powerful teachers union of using its "political agenda" to hold up a contract agreement to end a strike that has barred students from classrooms for nine days.

Mayor Lori Lightfoot said the Chicago Teachers Union's bargaining team demanded "at the eleventh hour" that she support state legislation to elect rather than appoint the district's school board, as well as changes to state law governing what the union can strike over.

"Are we really keeping our kids out of class unless I agree to support the CTU's full political agenda wholesale?" Lightfoot said at a news conference. "If the CTU wants a deal, there's a deal to be had right now on the table."

During a second press conference hours later, Lightfoot said she met with the union's president and vice president during the day to present a sweetened offer, putting more money toward reduc-

ing class sizes and increasing long-time teachers' pay.

Lightfoot said the union officials left her office without a deal.

A union spokeswoman referred The Associated Press to a statement that leaders issued earlier in the week, blaming the city for failing to bridge the financial gap between the proposals.

"It took a strike to get the mayor and CPS just to trade proposals to bring down exploding class sizes and alleviate desperate shortages of school nurses, social workers, counselors, librarians and more," that statement said. "We shouldn't have to work this hard — and we shouldn't have to strike — to get our students what they deserve."

The heated accusations follow several days of contentious closed-door talks seeking to settle the strike, which has kept more than 300,000 students out of classrooms since Oct. 17 in the nation's third-largest school district.

## Groups threaten to sue U. of California over SAT, ACT use

A coalition of California students and community groups is threatening to sue the University of California system unless it drops the SAT and ACT exams from its admissions requirements, arguing that the tests favor wealthy, white students at the expense of poorer black and Hispanic students.

Lawyers representing three students, the Compton Unified School District and several other organizations sent a letter to the system Tuesday threatening to file a lawsuit if it doesn't end an admissions policy requiring applicants to submit standardized test scores among other documents. The coalition says it's giving the system 10 business days to act, or it will file a state lawsuit alleging discrimination based on race, wealth and disability.

The letter adds pressure as dozens of U.S. universities move away from reliance on college entrance exams. Over the last year, nearly 50 schools have made SAT and ACT scores optional, joining about 1,000 others that already made the change, according to FairTest, a group that opposes testing requirements and tracks university policies.

## Navy upholds sentencing of Navy SEAL for posing with captive's corpse

SAN DIEGO (AP) — The U.S. chief of naval operations on Tuesday denied a request for clemency and upheld a military jury's sentence that will reduce the rank of a decorated Navy SEAL convicted of posing with a dead Islamic State captive in Iraq in 2017.

Adm. Mike Gilday made the decision after carefully reviewing the trial transcripts and the clemency request by the lawyers of Edward Gallagher, said Cmdr. Nate Christensen, spokesman for Gilday, in a statement.

Gallagher's lawyer, Timothy Parlatore, said they are disappointed in the ruling that will cost Gallagher up to \$200,000 in retirement funds because of his loss of rank from a chief petty officer to a 1st class petty officer. The decision was first reported by the military online publication Task & Purpose.

A military jury acquitted Gallagher this summer of murder for the death of the wounded captive, attempted murder in the shootings of unarmed Iraqi civilians and other charges during his deployment to Mosul, Iraq.

## US finalizing rule to allow farmers to legally grow hemp

DES MOINES, Iowa (AP) — U.S. agriculture officials said Tuesday a rule that allows farmers to legally grow hemp will be finalized this week, a move that many states have awaited for months so they can begin widespread hemp production.

The rule is set to be published Thursday and effective immediately. It establishes requirements for licensing, maintaining records on the land where hemp will be grown, testing the levels of THC — the active ingredient in marijuana that causes a high — and disposing plants that don't meet the requirements.

In addition, a national hemp-growing program that Congress authorized in the 2018 farm bill will be launched by the rule.

## TODAY ON CAMPUS

Safe Zone Training | 6:00 - 8:00 PM | Martinsville Room, MLK Jr. Student Union

Safe Zone Core training is open to any student, staff, or faculty member who is interested in becoming an ally for the LGBTQ+ community, and learning more about gender and sexuality related issues. Topics that will be addressed include: GSD terminology, the coming out process, heterosexual privilege, facts and myths about the GSD community, and ways to engage in quiet activism. Complete of Safe Zone Core will result in becoming an identified Safe Zone Ally. Please register online at [eiu.edu/lgtbqa](http://eiu.edu/lgtbqa).

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# Faculty Senate hears IBHE fiscal year 2021 report

By JJ Bullock  
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Eastern's Faculty Senate heard a report Tuesday afternoon on the IBHE's 2021 fiscal year budget report which highlighted the state's increased funding for higher education.

Senate Chair C.C. Wharram delivered the report via PowerPoint to the Senate, a report he originally heard from the IBHE's interim Director Nyle Robinson. The report noted the 8.2 percent increase in funding higher education in Illinois received in 2020, the highest single increase in state history.

Wharram said what struck him most about Robinson's report was how complimentary he was of Eastern's administration, specifically Paul McCann, vice president for business affairs, Heidi Hawkins, the assistant university budget officer and Student Body President Carson Gordon, who worked as an intern for the IBHE.

But in the details of Robinson's report were what Wharram said was like a two-sided coin in the sense there were some really positive takeaways, and some details that were still reminiscent of the state's budget problems, such as state pensions.

"It is really great to see a renewed dedication towards making Illinois a very strong state, both in terms of its

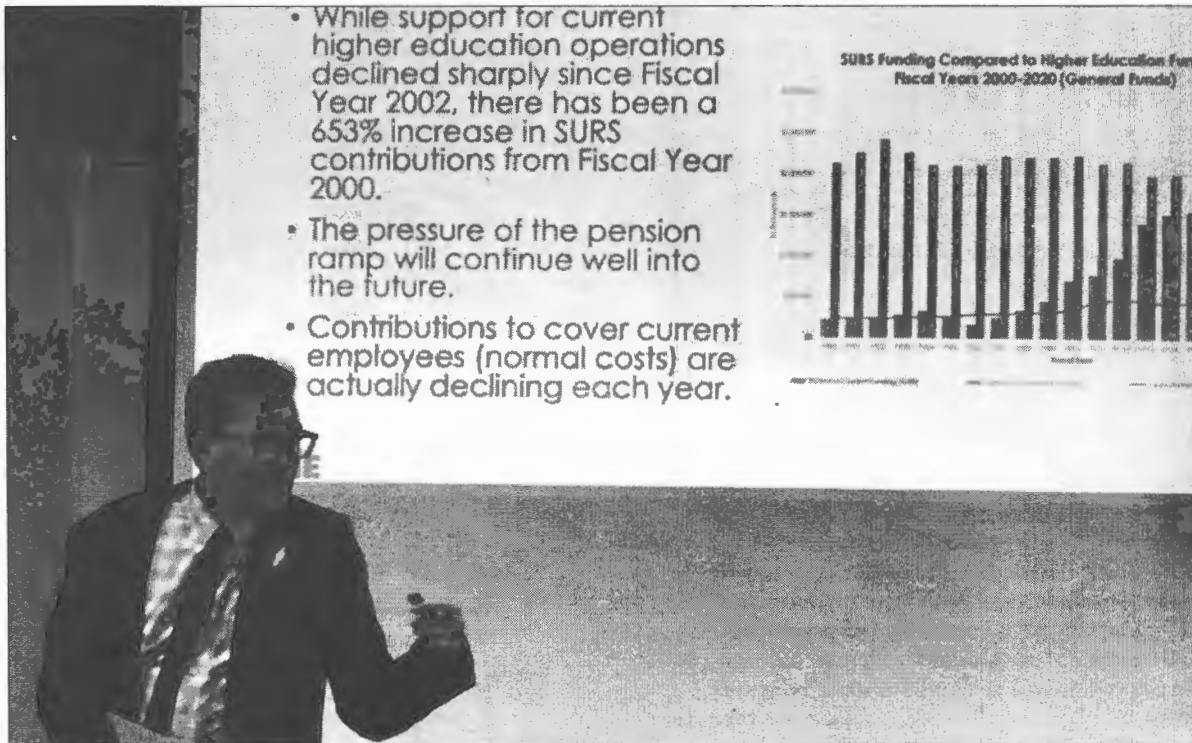
support for higher education, but also the recognizing that higher education is going to help Illinois become a stronger economic engine," Wharram said.

Key to the report was the disparity shown in higher education funding in low years like 2016 when the state was cemented in a budget impasse and fiscal year 2020 when funding was approaching normal levels once again.

However, the 2020 funding still does not match where the state was as recently as 2002 or in previous eras where costs of attendance were lower and higher education funding was more prominent.

"Look where we are relative to a couple of decades ago," Wharram said. "It's a really tough position that (current students) are in because of the fact that the state reneged on its commitment to higher education so much so that it's on (current students) burden, that you have to deal with."

Most of the state's increase in funding, however, is being used to balance the state's pension system, which was thrown into turmoil years ago. To pay pensions of state employees, Illinois borrowed money that was intended for future pensions and used it on the pensions that needed to be paid immediately. Now, the new funding is being used to refund the money that was borrowed.



Eastern's Faculty Senate Chair C.C. Wharram delivered the fiscal year 2021 IBHE report to the Senate at its Tuesday meeting in Booth Library. The report detailed funding of higher education in Illinois.

"At the end of the day, the state borrowed against its future and everybody is paying for it now," Wharram said. "That really does drive you a bit batty thinking that was a good to idea to sort of leave that pension fund so un-

derfunded for so long." Eastern Provost Jay Gatrell delivered a report to the Senate in which he gave an update on the school's search committees for deans in liberal arts and education. Gatrell said the searches have

been narrowed down to semi-finalists and the plan is to have candidates on campus before Thanksgiving break.

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## STAFF EDITORIAL

## Suicide shows danger of power abuse

A woman got indicted Monday on an involuntary manslaughter charge for encouraging her boyfriend to kill himself and the entire case illustrates just how dangerous manipulation and abuse of power can be.

Suffolk District Attorney Rachael Rollins told the Associated Press that Inyoung You, 21, was "physically, verbally and psychologically abusive" to Alexander Urtula, 22, during the course of their 18-month relationship.

Rollins also said You sent tens of thousands of text messages to Urtula, some of them saying things like "go kill yourself" and "go die," the Associated Press reported. You sent more than 47,000 messages within the last two months of their relationship; that's nearly 800 text messages a day. Urtula killed himself on May 20.

When *The Daily Eastern News* editorial board heard about You's indictment on Monday, many of us immediately remembered the Feb. 6 involuntary manslaughter conviction of Michelle Carter, who was 22 at the time.

The Associated Press reported that Carter, who was 17 at the time of her boyfriend's death, was in a relationship with Conrad Roy III, 18.

Like You, Carter also sent a number of texts urging her own boyfriend to kill himself, which he did in 2014. The Associated Press reported one of Carter's texts to Roy was "I thought you wanted to do this. The time is right and you're ready — just do it babe." Carter was sentenced to 15 months in jail.

The two cases are so similar, and it's so eerie that Carter was convicted in February — just a few months before Urtula killed himself.

Suicide isn't easy to talk about, but something should go without saying: Urging people to kill themselves is disgusting. Significant others abusing their power to manipulate their partners into killing themselves is vile.

It's easy to point our fingers at people who communicate these horrible things to the people they're supposed to love. It is, after all, despicable.

But it illustrates another important point: Mental health is precious.

We at *The Daily Eastern News* can see how this fatal manipulation could be possible. It's another reason to check on your own family members, friends, acquaintances and anyone else you interact with regularly.

Suicide catches people by surprise. Sometimes the disease of depression shows no symptoms or visible signs. Sometimes it really is invisible to the outside world.

The Associated Press reported that both Carter and Roy suffered from depression. It can affect people on both ends.

That's why we encourage everyone to check on their loved ones from time to time, even if they suspect nothing is wrong.

We also need to use these two cases as examples of abuses of power and manipulation for the purpose of education. Abuse of power is dangerous on so many levels.

The daily editorial is the majority opinion of the editorial board of *The Daily Eastern News*.



## G/O Media is decimating Deadspin

One of the best media websites out there, Deadspin, is being destroyed by its corporate bosses, G/O Media.

Several contentious months came to a head this week when, on Monday, a memo from G/O Media editorial director Paul Maidment to Deadspin employees was leaked telling them to, "write only about sports and that which is relevant to sports in some way."

Although Deadspin is mainly a sports website, offering blogs that often offer a humorous take on sports, its employees have done some wonderful work outside of the sports world.

One day following the news of the leaked memo, on Oct. 29, Deadspin deputy editor Barry Petchesky tweeted, "Hi! I've just been fired from Deadspin for not sticking to sports."

The home page of Deadspin following the news of Petchesky's firing displayed all the non-sports stories that have been published on the site over the years.

This feels like to beginning of the end for a website that has been a welcome change of pace in the sports media world, providing a wonderful mix of sports,



ADAM TUMINO

politics and pop culture. The sanitization of Deadspin into a garden-variety sports blog website will have a devastating effect on the media landscape.

At its worst, Deadspin was a time-killer full of funny and strange stories.

But at its best, it was an invaluable publication that broke the news of Brett Favre's sexual misconduct in 2010 directed at Jenn Sterger, unearthed the hoax of Manti Te'o's dead girlfriend and helped expose the Sinclair Broadcast Group as a propaganda machine.

If this is indeed the end of Deadspin as we know

it, I would like to remember it for some of its best non-sports content.

For example, when Deadspin broke the Te'o news, they were complemented on Twitter by Donald Trump, then just an insufferable citizen. Deadspin's official account responded to Trump, telling him, "Go f\*ck yourself." They did not include the asterisk.

Every year around the holidays, Deadspin patrols a year's worth of data on emergency room visits to compile an annual list called "What Did We Get Stuck In Our Rectums Last Year?"

There is also a series by Drew Magary, "Why Your Children's Television Program Sucks," in which he, as a frustrated dad forced to watch subpar children's television shows, reviews various programs.

Perhaps most importantly is the fortitude of Laura Wagner when facing harassment by Barstool Sports founder and unbelievable jackass Dave Portnoy and his maniacal fans.

I hope Deadspin can weather this storm.

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## 5 tips on how to destress yourself

I'm sure everyone can agree college is stressful. Some of us just finished up with midterm exams, and finals are quickly approaching. A lot of students also have jobs and extracurriculars on top of classes and homework, so it's understandable why burnouts are common around this time of year. Not to mention, the cold weather certainly plays a role in our moods. If you're like me and you've found yourself struggling to keep your head up and stay motivated, here are some of my favorite ways to destress.

Play games. No matter the game, a little friendly competition is always fun. My friends and I typically play Uno, but we also play Monopoly and other games. Sometimes it can get vicious (especially since we allow stacking Draw-two and Draw-four cards), but that just makes it more exciting.

Create something. Focusing all of your energy on creating something is a great way to clear your mind. You can paint something, color a picture, write something, build something, anything that will give you a finished product. Not only does the act of creating it ease your mind by giving you something else to think about, but you also get the



JESSICA STEWART

satisfaction of finishing something.

Listen to music. Music is great because you can always find a song that relates to however you're feeling at a certain time or that fits your current mood. If you're feeling down, sometimes listening to sad songs can help you understand how you're feeling by listening to other people's words. It also feels nice to know that you're not the only one who has ever felt down. If you don't want to listen to sad songs and you're looking for something to pump you up, you can also blast songs from your childhood (Hannah Montana anyone?) or songs that

make you want to dance.

Dance it out. Anyone who is a fan of *Grey's Anatomy* will get the reference, but dancing it out truly is a great way to destress. Going along with the last point, get all of your friends together, put on some music, and just go crazy. Any type of physical movement releases endorphins in the brain which helps relieve stress. Dancing is a great way to exercise because you can do it anywhere, and it's even more fun to do with friends.

Spend time with friends. If you hadn't noticed already, all of the activities I mentioned are better with friends. Any time I'm with my friends, my mood instantly improves. If you all have homework, you can get together and encourage each other to do your work. It's easier to focus on homework if all of the main people you talk to are also working on homework right next to you.

Everyone gets stressed out. There are a lot of different things you can do to help ease that stress, so find something that works for you and run with it.

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Two students mingle during the Eastern Estates A Spooktacular Haunted House event at the Martin Luther King Jr University Union in the Grand Ballroom on Tuesday night. The event charged one canned good for admission, which were donated to the Haven Homeless Shelter.

"It was actually a lot better than other events that they've had, I got a really good scare out of it," Easterling. Easterling said she felt the event was a way for students to go a haunted house if they missed the annual Pemberton haunted house. "It opens them up to new experiences, I know Pemberton has their haunted yearly but it gives them another chance if they missed that to get to go to another haunted house," Easterling said. Miguest said she felt like the event was staffed well. "They actors were great, it was beautiful," Miguest said.

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Gordon said events like Pumpkinpalooza with the Prez' are beneficial for students. "One thing that we struggle with a lot in student government is making sure that people know that we are people they can come to being able to be recognized on campus so that people know we are the people leading them," Gordon said. "So, this is a really great way to just casually sit down and introduce ourselves and get to know students normally shake their hand and walk up to them on campus it just gives us a little more casual inviting way to do that." She added she enjoys seeing students come together for events. "I really love how it brings students from all across campus together regardless of what organizations they're in or their majors, it just brings everyone together and makes them take some time away from classes and their busy schedules," Gordon said. "I really noticed a lot of mental health benefits associated with that." Student Senate Speaker Michael Perri said he felt event was the opportunity for stress release. "It gives people an opportunity to get a break from all the school. We're getting near a time of the year where stuff is starting to get a little stressful and having stuff like this just lets people forget about all of it for a little bit," Perri said. Gordon said she is looking forward to future events from the senate. "I just look forward to helping all the senators with various work on their variations of events because it seems like, this here everything we've been doing relates to mental health in some aspects has been really incredible, but also in the spring, I'm really excited about driving forward with mental health topics more and just making it more inclusive and more specific to certain groups on campus," Gordon said.

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# Spaghetti night



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Taylor Comer, a sophomore sociology major sets a plate of spaghetti at the Alpha Sigma Tau "Taughetti" dinner fundraiser. Comer says the fundraiser was successful and turned a profit for the sorority.

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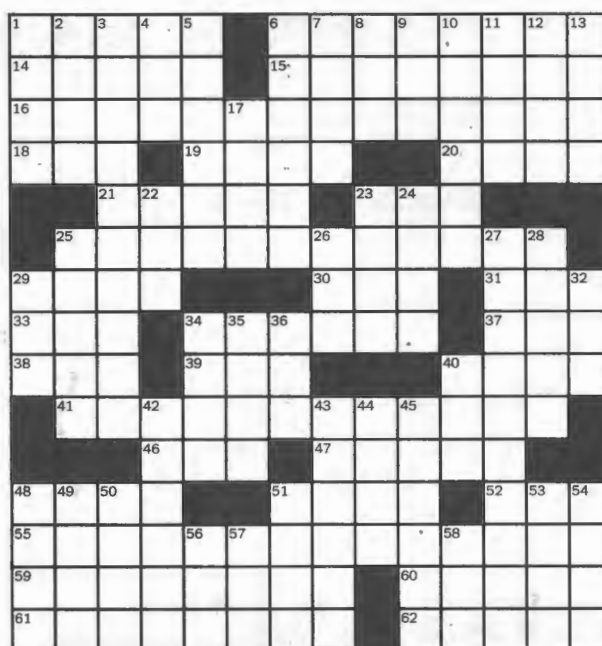
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### ACROSS

- 1 Director Wright
- 6 Like watermelons from May to September
- 14 Dorn of "Big Little Lies"
- 15 Fashion trend that involves comfortable, regular-looking clothing
- 16 Results of having ants in one's pants?
- 18 Court fig.
- 19 Part of a roof
- 20 \_\_\_ canal
- 21 Leisurely pace
- 23 African antelope
- 25 Ones considering which brand of ice cream to buy?
- 29 Defeat
- 30 Exist
- 31 Pioneer in I.M.'ing
- 33 Middle name of Sean Lennon
- 34 Subject of a 2016 U.K. referendum ... or a hint to 16-, 25-, 41- and 55-Across
- 37 Lupino of "High Sierra"
- 38 Target of a knee M.R.I.
- 39 What means
- 40 "Good heavens, old chap!"
- 41 Casas?
- 46 Low, sandy island
- 47 Parts of shirtsleeves
- 48 One-legged, single-minded sea captain
- 51 Idle
- 52 "Big Little Lies" network

### DOWN

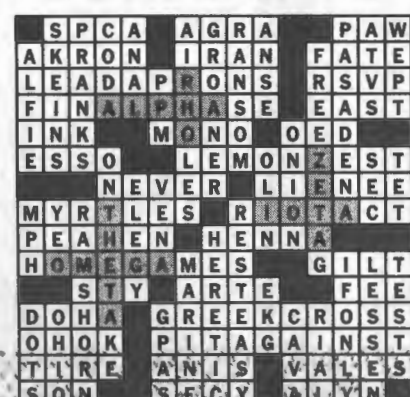
- 55 Food for thought?
- 59 Ingredient in Worcestershire sauce
- 60 "Honest!"
- 61 They may accompany winks
- 62 Guys' partners, on Broadway
- 1 Site of Napoleon's exile
- 2 What might be tipped at a bar
- 3 Highlight of Led Zeppelin's "Stairway to Heaven"
- 4 Much graffiti
- 5 Zoom past
- 6 "The very thought!"
- 7 Wine lover's asset
- 8 Indian honorific
- 9 First responder, for short
- 10 Gather
- 11 Upscale London district
- 12 Dunkable treat
- 13 "Empty (1980s-'90s sitcom)"
- 17 Robust
- 22 Crossed
- 23 Spice Girl Halliwell
- 24 Moscow turnaround
- 26 Setting for the "Forrest Gump"



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- 26 Charlie Parker's instrument, informally
- 27 Complains vociferously
- 28 Fizzy drinks
- 29 Prop for the dancer Gypsy Rose Lee
- 32 Nonclerical
- 34 The Who's "O'Riley"
- 35 Golfer McIlroy
- 36 Just manage, with "out"
- 40 Financial arm of the U.N., for short
- 42 Ally in a bygone legal drama
- 43 Chastises
- 44 1950s blacklisting grp.
- 45 Cross a line, say
- 48 Performs
- 49 Get better
- 50 Fighting unit
- 51 Like hair after rain
- 53 Abandon an effort, in slang
- 54 Cheers at a corrida
- 56 "My man!"
- 57 1983 double-platinum Duran Duran album
- 58 Pooh's pal

### ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE



26 Setting for the "Forrest Gump"

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## WOMEN'S SOCCER | COLUMN

# Women's soccer needs to peak right now

After Eastern women's soccer's final home match of the season; a 1-1 tie against Tennessee Tech (6-7-5, 4-3-3 OVC), head coach Jake Plant said the goal of each season is to get the team to hit its highest level of play right before the OVC tournament.

Perhaps the Panthers have, but after a modest final regular season weekend, Eastern (3-9-4, 2-5-3 OVC) finds itself taking on that same Golden Eagles squad in the first round of the conference playoffs on Friday at 7 p.m., and the team needs to prove that adage to be true.

The Panthers got two road match ups to close out the regular season against Austin Peay (4-9-4, 3-5-2 OVC) and Murray State (11-7, 8-2 OVC), forcing a 1-1 tie against the Governors before falling to the Racers 1-0 and being outshot 44-17 between the two slates.

That one point from the tie against Austin Peay gave Eastern just enough of a boost to make it to the no. 8 seed in the OVC tournament, but whether the team has truly peaked may be in question.

Last season, the Panthers went 2-1-1 in their final four conference match ups prior to downing Southeast Missouri in the quarterfinals of the OVC tournament in front of blue and grey stands at Lakeside Field.

This season, though, Eastern hits the road without a bye in the first round, coming in at 0-2-2 in its final four conference match ups and without a win since Oct. 6.

That's not to say the team is less equipped or even has any less momentum in terms of its play, but other conference squads are proving to hit their strides results-wise.



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For example, Southern Illinois Edwardsville (8-5-4, 5-2-3 OVC), the team the Panthers will face if they get past Tennessee Tech, currently rides a six-match streak without a loss and three straight shutout wins into the OVC tournament.

The good news for Eastern is that its opponent on Friday isn't flying much higher, as the Golden Eagles are just 1-2-1 in their final four conference match up with their lone win coming against last place Jacksonville State 1-0, a team Eastern defeated 3-1 earlier this season.

The bad news for the Panthers is that they also are winless in eight matches away from Lakeside Field this season—though, it's worth noting Eastern did not play a neutral site match, like this first round match up, in 2019.

There seems to be many different avenues to explore in terms of Eastern's production heading into the conference postseason, but one thing is certain: if the team is peaking right now like Plant wants them to be, then there's no reason the Panthers can't make some noise just like last year.

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Eastern forward Itxaso Aguero directs the ball downfield in the Panthers' match against Tennessee Tech on Oct. 18. The match ended in a 1-1 tie at Lakeside Field.

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# What to watch for in Panthers' exhibition

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While many are expecting a blow-out, there are some things we can learn from the men's basketball team's exhibition game Wednesday night.

The Panthers host Missouri-St. Louis at 7 p.m. in Lantz Arena, and if last year is any indication, Eastern should blow out the Tritons (last year Eastern defeated Eureka College 79-44).

While a blowout may not be that exciting for the average fan, I will be watching (on the road to Washington D.C. on my phone) for these aspects I believe to be important for the team going into the season.

## Offensive variety

These two things I want to see from the team Wednesday are things I have mentioned before, but I feel that it is important to see how the team does with its offense this season.

Three-pointers are great, but not when they become the reliance for scoring on the offensive end.

Eastern found itself falling back on putting up the long-range shots when it was struggling to score last year, and part of that goes to the Panthers not having a solid post scorer.

As great as Aboubacar Diallo was at being an obstacle on defense, in the lane, he was not a scorer by any means.

Josiah Wallace and Mack Smith will be returning as Eastern's leading scorers from last year at the guard positions, but there is not one returning player you can look at and decisively say is the go-to guy in the post.

JaQualis Matlock looks like he could be that guy this year, and if that is the case, he will have to bring the intensity all season long.

At the start of last season, Matlock struggled scoring inside on post-ups, but as the season went on, he was a solid option for inside scoring.

Rade Kukobat is the tallest player on



Eastern guard Shareef Smith guards a Western Illinois player in Lantz Arena last November. Smith had 12 points in the game, which the Panthers won 68-66 in overtime.

the roster this season at 6' 9" but scored better from the outside and with mid-range jump shots last season.

So, while it will likely be a blowout game Wednesday evening, if I would see someone dominate in the post, I would take it as a good sign going forward.

## A better defense

I am not talking so much about what

type of defense the Panthers will run, as much as I am about if the defense will just simply be better.

In an interview with Eastern play-by-play announcer Mike Bradd at OVC media day Oct. 22, Eastern head coach Jay Spoonhour said his goal in recruiting in the offseason was to get players who were good defenders.

Last season, Eastern got beat off the dribble too much, and when opposing ballhandlers beat an Eastern defend-

er on the perimeter and got to the lane, the Eastern defense struggled and was susceptible to getting scored on a lot.

Spoonhour said he was looking to cut down on the defensive lapses from last year, and Wednesday will be a great way to see how the new players to the roster help the defense.

The ideal defense for the Panthers to run would be the hybrid man-to-man/zone 1-3-1 defense it adopted later in the season last year because it helped

them not get beat as much and when they did, they were able to recover better.

But, regardless of whether or not they use man-to-man or zone, the defense has to get better this year, and Wednesday will be a good reference for the start of the season to see how the defense is different (if at all) this year.

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## VOLLEYBALL | COLUMN

# Panthers finding success at home this season

For the Eastern volleyball team, there has been no place like home in 2019.

The season as a whole has not been a peaceful stroll along the yellow brick road for the Panthers, who are 2-20 overall and 1-9 in conference play.

But in Lantz Arena, the Panthers have been able to perform much better than they have on the road.

Record aside (Eastern is 1-6 at home), all the team's numbers are more impressive at home.

This is evident in terms of kills per set, which is not the only statistic that matters, but seven of the eight OVC teams currently in a postseason spot are in the top eight in kills per set.

The Panthers are averaging 10.65 kills per set on the season, the second-fewest in the conference. But they are averaging 11.8 kills per set at home compared to just 9 on the road, which would be 1.54 behind 11th place.

If their season average was 11.8, the Panthers would rank just one spot higher but be .15 kills per set behind ninth place and .25 kills per set behind eighth, hypothetically putting them in postseason contention.

Another split in the statistics is in assists per set, where the Pan-



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thers average of 9.79 ranks last in the OVC.

Their home average of 11.08 assists per set would rank ninth in the conference, just .02 behind eighth place and .09 behind sixth.

On the road, they are averaging just 9.14 assists per set, which would be .65 below 11th place.

Of course, assists and kills are linked, so Eastern's numbers are similar. But on the defensive end, the Panthers have been better at home as well.

Keep in mind the defensive statistics in the OVC are less indicative of playoff positioning than the offensive stats. The Panthers rank ninth with 14.8 digs per set. But, once again, their average is much higher at home, sitting at 16 digs per set. This would be the fifth most in the conference.

The trend continues into blocks per set, where the Panthers rank seventh with an average of 1.92. Their home blocks per set would



Eastern senior Katie Sommer (20) and sophomore Hannah Sieg (17) jump to attempt a block against Tennessee Tech on Oct. 18 in Lantz Arena. The Panthers won the match 3-2.

be 2.08 and rank fifth in the conference. Their road average of 1.79 blocks per set would rank ninth.

Eastern head coach Julie Allen said that it is certainly beneficial to play at home.

"Home is definitely nice," Allen said. "You get to have your home bed, eat what you want to eat on your time and you get to kind of relax and take care of your body a

little bit better than when you're on the road."

Luckily for Eastern, five of its seven matches to end the season are on its home court, including four of six conference matches.

Its only two remaining road matches are against Austin Peay and Murray State, two teams that the Panthers played well against earlier in the season.

The team is relatively young

and experienced, with only seven of the 18 players on the roster being juniors or seniors.

As the team grows and gains experience, it would stand to reason that they will be able to take some of their home successes on the road.

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